(c) when the export of such cars shall start and at what price the cars are proposed to be exported to each country?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC ENTERPRISES IN THE MINISTRY OF INDUSTRY (PROF. K. K. TEWARY): (a) and (b) Yes, Sir. Maruti Udyog Ltd. have already exported vehicles to Nepal and Bangladesh, and recently concluded a contract for sale of 500 cars to Hungary.

(c) The export of cars to Hungary is expected to start in August, 1987. It would not be in the commercial interest of Maruti Udyog Ltd. to disclose the export price of their vehicles.

Licences issued to Industrial Houses covered by MRTP Act

376. SHRI K. VASUDEVA PANICKER : Will the Minister of INDUSTRY be pleased to state:

(a) what is the number of industrial licences issued to industrial houses covered by MRTP Act during the last one year; and

(b) the reasons for prefering monopoly houses in place of smaller companies?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE DEPARTMENT OF INDUSTRIAL DEVELOPMENT IN THE MINISTRY OF INDUSTRY (SHRI M. ARUNACHALAM): (a) Under the provisions of the Industries (Development & Regulation) Act, a total of 124 industrial licences were issued during 1986 to various undertakings registered under the MRTP Act.

(b) All applications for grant of industrial licences, including these from MRTP companies, are considered on merits within the parameters of industrial policy announced from time to time and no preference is given to MRTP companies.

Legal steps to implement the policy on Foreign Trade Mark

377. PROF. C. LAKSHMANNA: Will the Minister of INDUSTRY be pleased to state what legal steps are being taken to implement the policy on Foreign Trade Mark?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE DEPARTMENT OF INDUSTRIAL DEVELOPMENT IN THE MINISTRY OF INDUSTRY (SHRI M. ARUNACHALAM): The issue of regulating the use of foreign trade marks on internal sales is engaging the attention of the Government.

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RE: ARMS DEAL WITH BOFORS OF SWEDEN

MR. CHAIRMAN: I give the floor to Mr. Dipen Ghosh. Nobody else should speak. I give the floor only to Mr. Dipen Ghosh... (*Interruptions*) No, no recording. None of the interruptions will go on record.

SHRI DIPEN GHOSH (West Bengal): Mr. Chairman, today it is already there on the Order Paper that Mr. Arun Singh, Minister of State for Defence, would make a statement on the inquiry ordered by the erstwhile Defence Minister about payment of a commission to an Indian agent on the buying of certain submarines from West Germany...

AN HON. MEMBER: Alleged.

SHRI DIPEN GHOSH: Why alleged? It is already on record. The word "alleged" is not being mentioned here.

In the meantime there has been a more serious allegation of bribing the leaders of the ruling party to influence the Central Government to buy certain arms from Bofors of Sweden. This allegation has wider